

Sir Wilfred Laurier Secondary School

School Council Meeting – April 9, 2024 6:30 pm

Financial Report – balance 4738.51

Introductions – groups/clubs requesting school council sponsorship/donations

Robotics team –

- hosts events with the Salvation army to raise funds and receive donations
- tasked to build 150 lbs. robot
- swerve drive costs approx. \$4400
 - 3 big competitions each year, Waterloo, Windsor and Provincials
 - The World Championship is being held in Texas.
 - Program runs a summer camp, Campferno for Grades 5-6 and 7-8– a student will get a percentage if they volunteer/work at the camp.
- budget \$30,000/ yr
- bronze, silver and gold sponsorship packages
- requesting any donation amount would be helpful

Susan Nordmeyer – guidance counsellor at SWLSS

Discussed meet the teacher night is having local college and university recruiters to talk to parents and students

- Kings College, Western, Fanshaw College, Huron College, Liuna trades union, Tomorrows trade
- Dental and Medical field have changed their acceptance credentials
- financial aid presentation – OSAP
- what to expect at post-secondary
- College pathways – how to go from college to university, different pathways

Unsung Heros – student and parental engagement

- asks teachers for nominations of students
- criteria for award– improvement, great character, hardworking student
- chosen students invited June 5 to a luncheon for parents and students (75-100 attendance)
- requesting donation match last year's donation of \$500

Relay For Life – fundraiser at the school

- money goes to Canadian Cancer Society
- money helps with wheelchairs, research and more
- last year fundraised \$15000
- recruiting up to 500 students
- creating a gaming night (\$5-7 per student)
- \$10/student + t-shirt extra \$\$
- requesting a donation towards pop, chips, pizza, shawarma

Mr. Carr brought several cases forward:

- Art dept requesting donation towards document camera
- SST room (academic room for students) requesting \$500 donation towards phone chargers and headphones
- AV dept/club requesting \$700 donation towards a wireless microphone, possibly a second one next year
- drama dept requesting donation to dry-clean costumes that have been in storage.
- girls softball team requesting donations towards bats, and an equipment bag.

Discussion amongst council members

-decision made for the following donations

Robotics team -\$500

Unsung Heros - \$500

Relay for Life - \$300

Art Dept - \$200

SST Room - \$300

AV Dept - \$500

Drama Dept - \$500

Girls' softball team \$300

Principals Report- Matt Bradacs

Acknowledgements

- Embracing Equity conference (March 6)
- Multi – Cultural Fair (March 6)
- France FI field Trip (March Break)
- Winter Athletes – Catherine R- OFFSA Bronze medal!
- Robotics Team – Provincial Championship last weekend
- Rock your socks (March 21)
- Iftar dinner (March 26)

TVDSB – Board Updates

On Tuesday March 26th TVDSB trustees passed the following motions as part of the London Attendance Area Review:

- French Immersion program will be established at Clarke Rd commencing in September 2025
- Effective 2025, Princess Anne FI will be a designated feeder school to Clarke Roads French Immersion program
- Ashley Oakes, Rick Hansen, and White Oaks public schools currently designated as elementary school feeders to Westminster SS, will become

designated as elementary school feeders to Sir Wilfred Laurier commencing September 2025

-Cleardale PS, currently designated an elementary school feeder to London South CI and Sir Wilfred Laurier to be designated as an elementary school feeder to Westminster commencing Sept 2025

Facility

-Additional DE class will be added to Laurier for September 2024. Renovations in room 118 and the neighboring weight room will create space for this additional class. Construction in room 118 is anticipated to start in late May.

Discussion: Teacher retirement gift, school council will review in May

Meeting Adjourned 8:20pm

Next meeting Tuesday May 14 @ 6:30pm